

**COMMENDATION OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW BY OFFICIAL ASSEMBLIES OF A LEGAL, POLITICAL AND SCIENTIFIC NATURE, COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL THE AMERICAN REPUBLICS.**

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The Third Committee of the Commission of American Jurists, which met at Rio de Janeiro to consider the codification of international law, at its meeting of July 16, 1912, adopted a resolution:

Commending the initiative taken to found an American Institute of International Law, as the Committee considers an institution of this kind of great usefulness to assist in the work of codification that the statesmen of the New World have in view.

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The Governing Board of the Pan American Union, at its meeting held in the City of Washington on December 1, 1915, unanimously adopted the following resolution:

Whereas the official inauguration of the American Institute of International Law, founded in Washington, October 12, 1912, is soon to take place under the auspices of the Second Pan American Scientific Congress, and

Whereas said Institute, consisting of representatives of every one of the American Republics, recommended by the International Law Associations of their respective countries, will result in strengthening, through the active cooperation of jurists and thinkers of the whole continent, the bonds of friendship and union now existing between these Republics, and will contribute to the development of a common sentiment of international justice among them,

The Governing Board of the Pan American Union

*Resolves* to tender to the founders and members of the American Institute of International Law a vote of commendation and encouragement for the foundation of said organization, which represents a step of the highest importance in the moral advancement of the continent and in the strengthening of the sentiments of friendship and harmony among the Republics.

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The Second Pan American Scientific Congress, which met at Washington December 27, 1915-January 8, 1916, adopted the following resolution, which is included in its Final Act:

The Second Pan American Scientific Congress extends to the American Institute of International Law a cordial welcome into the circles of scientific organizations of Pan America, and records a sincere wish for its successful career and the achievement of the highest aims of its important labors.